FALLEN SYNDICATE

PRESENTS

A+B: ANGEL+BLOOD

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A+B エンジェル+ゴッド CHARACTER & STORY

●明園 忍
shinobu akehoshi

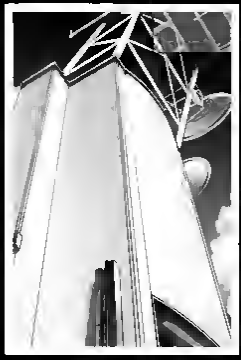
祈り姫を趣味にしている古風な美少年。無口だが、謙太郎にだけは心を開している。今は「謎となっている「絶後エンジェルフォール事件」の実態らしいが？

●上杉謙太郎
kentaro uesugi

忍と共に、絶後からやってきたダサ(?)男。東京の女子高生に憧れるなどチャラチャラしているが、根は熱い。彼も「エンジェルフォール事件」の英雄とされている。

●楠本
ミヒャエルとコンビを組む生徒。

●ミヒャエル先輩
星華学園の執行局局長代理。



●星華学園
人間に害なす「天使」に対する機関として、東京湾沖に造られた巨大な学園都市。国連の特別機関でもあり、その意義と形から通称「箱舟」と呼ばれている。

●前回までのあらすじ

天使と呼ばれる物体が人を襲い始めたちょっと未来の東京。2年前、星華の戦闘員によって拘束された上級天使が遂に再生するも、ミヒャエルの指揮の下、完全に破壊することに成功する。だが、天使を"浄化"することを信条とする謙太郎と忍は、そのやり方に強い憤りを感じていた。そんな中、謙太郎の口から忍との出会いが語られはじめ？

●真田雪女
高等部3年の戦闘員。訳あって2年前から誰ともコンビを組まず、実戦にも出ていない。その前の相棒は天沢。

BUBBLES
AH!
IT'S BREATHING!
...HUH?
A DOLL ...?
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阿倍野ちゃこ
Chac-ABENO
ONE DAY IN HIS CHILDHOOD... WHAT DID HE-TAROU SEE?
IT HAS WINGS.
IT'S,... NOT A DOLL, BUT IT'S NOT HUMAN, EITHER. .
IS THIS GUY THE MESSENGER GRAMPS TALKED ABOUT!?
近未来型"退天使"アクション!
A+R
エンジェル+ブラッド
第9話

A GOD?
STUFF LIKE THAT DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN OUTSIDE OF FAIRY TALES...
.....
HIS FACE IS SO PRETTY...
HIS EYES OPENED ...!!
TWIRLES
.....?
You are
not afraid...?

Everyone is afraid of me.
Even the humans that are connected to this place...
...
After that, I slipped out of the house countless times to go and visit Shinobu.
...WHAT!?
NOT REALLY.
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY CLAWS OR FANGS?
I'M TOTALLY NOT AFRAID!!
SO YOU WON'T COME OUT OF THERE BECAUSE YOU PROMISED NOT TO BE A BOTHER TO HUMANS?
According to his story, it was my ancestors who stuck him in a glowing cocoon.

HOW MANY HUNDREDS OF YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN IN THIS DARK HOLE?
...S-
CRY
...So mean.
Why do you cry?
BE-CAUSE
SOB
SOB
IT'S SO MEAN! I MEAN, IT WAS BAD THAT YOU BROKE THE VILLAGE'S TREES AND HOUSES A LONG TIME
BUT YOU DIDN'T MEAN TO DO IT, AND THEY JUST CLOSED YOU UP IN HERE FOR IT...
I...
CRY
CRY
THERE'S GOTTA BE SOME-THING I CAN DO...
SAY SOME-THING ...!!
.....
The sky...
.....

I want to see the sky,
one more time...
This?
I DON'T HAVE THE POWER TO LET YOU OUT YET,
SO THIS WILL BE PROOF OF MY PROMISE!!
I was... No, we of the Uesugi family had not borne a male that could see the gods in 70 years
As the god said, it was a house responsible for Shinto rituals, which welcomed wandering gods and sent them to the other world.
The Uesugi family was a distinguished family with a long lineage in Echigo.
IT'S LIKE YOU, ISN'T IT?
THIS IS ORIGAMI, BUT THE REAL THING IS A CREATURE THAT FLIES IN THE HEAVENS ON HUGE WINGS!

I SEE, SO YOU'VE MADE FRIENDS...
Yeah!!
SINCE I BECAME HEAD OF THE FAMILY, OPPORTUNITIES TO LEAVE THE SHRINE HAVE NOT BEEN HURRYING MY WAY. BUT...
IT SEEMS YOU HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL,
KENTA-ROU.
hehe
NOWADAYS THERE ARE SO FEW AMONG US WHO ARE ABLE TO SEE THINGS LIKE ANGELS.
EVEN YOUR PARENTS
OUR DUTY IS REALLY NOTHING SPECIAL.
IT IS MERELY TO HELP GUIDE THE GODS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR WAY BACK TO "THE OTHER SIDE."
ANGELS ALSO WANT TO RETURN TO THE SKY
THEY WANT TO GO BACK,
AND THEY'RE CRYING.
.....

It was this daily practice which kept me from associating with other children
BIG BROTHER.
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO BE UP TODAY?
After that moment of understanding, I was thrust into sword practice, seeking power
131
...
HUFF
132
...
HUFF
Since birth, my little brother's left eye color was oddly different, and his body was weak.
...YESTERDAY.
WHAT DID GRANDFATHER SAY TO YOU?
He spent most days without ever leaving the house.
IT WAS A MAN-TO-MAN TALK ABOUT MY TAKING OVER THE TEMPLE? KINDA THING...
IT'S OKAY, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
Even today, training awaits!
See y'all
.....
...LIAR.

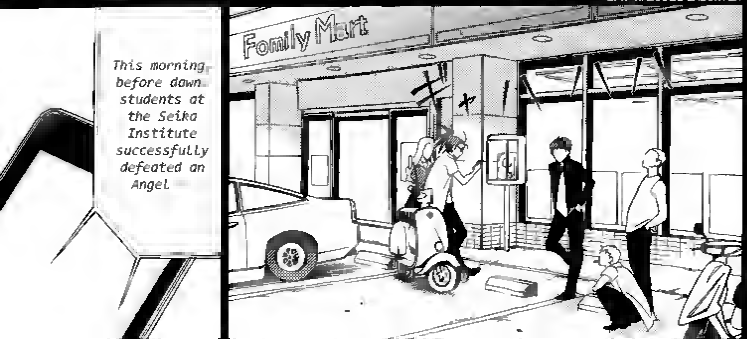
The sky kept shining like it was midday, and the town was swallowed in flames...
One night, 13 years ago, the Great Calamity occurred.
...WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
IT DOESN'T MATTER, JUST HURRY AND PUT OUT THE FLAMES!
SHI-NOBU...
SHAKING
SHAKING
IT CAN'T BE, SHINOBU...
RUSTLE
...WHAT HAPPENED?
I could tell that some Angel other than Shinobu had come to this world
Pant
Pant
So I ran...

THIS FIRE...
GRANDFATHER RAN AND HID
BOTH MOTHER AND FATHER DIED TRYING TO HELP HIM
NOW, ALL THREE OF THEM ARE DEAD.
BIG BROTHER IS MY MOST IMPORTANT FAMILY
AND JUST WHAT IS WORRYING YOU?
.....
... WHAT?
SFX: FWOOSH
AH, SO THIS IS THE FIRST TIME SINCE BIRTH THAT MY WEAKLY-POWERED OLDER BROTHER HAS SEEN THESE
DON'T WORRY, THIS TIME, EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS FAMILY,
AND THAT ANGEL... I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT ALL.
The wings of light that I saw stretching from his back...
In that instant... I understood. It wasn't me that was chosen, but my little brother.

The god inside that tiny shrine...
From the beginning, I thought he'd be my friend to the very end...
Somewhere along the lonely way, my friend's meager hope had changed, but I couldn't do anything...

Ever since that night, I had been chasing power, never going back to the mountain behind my home...

I left that house as if I were running away.
There was no way to restore the relationship with my brother.
SFX RAUCOUS LAUGHTER


This morning, before dawn, students at the Seika Institute successfully defeated an Angel.
FamilyMart

KYAA ...!

GRIP

WHA'CHA THINK THAT THING IS, AN ALIEN?

...

YOU THINK SO TOO RIGHT KENTA?

THEY'RE CALLING IT SOME KIND OF NATURAL ENEMY OF HUMANITY, BUT WOULDN'T IT BE STUPID FOR THAT MONSTER TO MAKE US ITS ENEMY?

I didn't care at all about hanging out with carefree idiots and dropping out of school.

And like that, I thought I could just forget all about my family... and about Shinobu.

EHEE

SORRY SORRY, MY HAND MUSTA SLIPPED OR SOMETHIN'!!

WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT!?

BOUNCE

BOUNCE

...

YOU WERE STILL DOING PRETTY STUPID THINGS WHEN THIS SCHOOL PICKED YOU UP...

UNTIL THAT INCIDENT OCCURRED

...IT'S A STUPID STORY, ISN'T IT?

I REALLY BELIEVED THAT I COULD KEEP RUNNING...

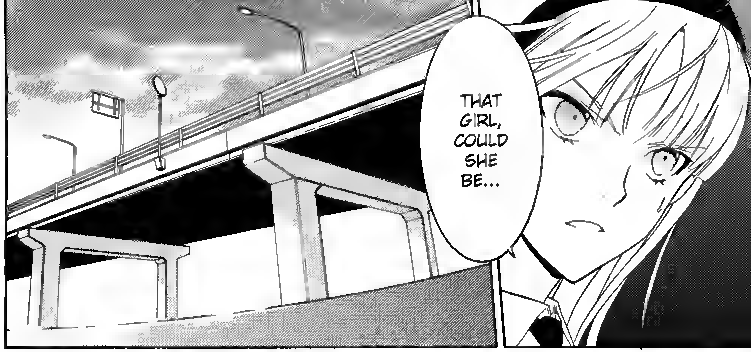
THAT NIGHT, ONE YEAR AGO,
THE "ECHIGO ANGELFALL INCIDENT"...
WHEN THE MOON WAS SO FULL THAT IT SEEMED TO STIR YOUR BLOOD...
...!
HMM
The "Echigo Angelfall Incident" an incident in which Uesugi's group is said to have defeated a high-level Angel on the same level as the one in the Great Calamity...
YOU IS THAT YOUR WAY OF SAYING THAT YOU REGRET THE SITUATION THAT MADE YOU A HERO?
I'M NOT A HERO!!
THAT DAY WAS THE FIRST TIME I DIED, AND EVEN NOW, I'M STILL DEAD!!
THAT NIGHT, THE ONE WHO SAVED THE WORLD WASN'T ME AT ALL! THE ONE WHO DEFEATED THE ANGEL WAS AN ANGEL HIMSELF, AKEHOSHI SHINOBU!!

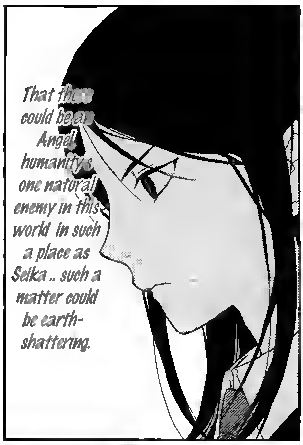
BUBBLING
FUSSLING
glow
SO, HAVING LEFT THE FAMILY, I DIDN'T KNOW...
BOOM
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP

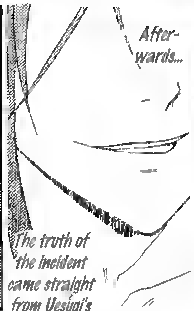
...THAT HE HAD BEEN GOING AROUND KILLING ANGELS...

...IT CAN'T BE.
THAT THOSE TWO WOULD HAVE SUCH A PAST...

!
SFX HOWLING WIND
WHAT ARE YOU? WHY DO YOU KNOW SUCH A STORY?
IF YOU ARE AN ENEMY OF THOSE TWO, THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LET YOU JUST LEAVE!!
WHA
SHE DISAP-PEARED ...!?
RING
IT'S USE-LESS, YOUR STORY GIVES YOU AWAY...
SEEING YOU SPEAK SO COOLLY ABOUT YOUR COMRADE'S VIOLENT HOUSEHOLD...
WHIRL


THAT GIRL, COULD SHE BE...


That there could be an Angel, humanity's one natural enemy in this world, in such a place as Seika... such a matter could be earth-shattering.


After-wards...
The truth of the incident came straight from Uesugi's mouth.

It's just too heavy for one person to hold in... that's all it is.
It's not that Uesugi trusted me with his story.

THE FACT THAT HE ONLY SAW ME WORTHY OF THAT...
THOUGH I SHOULD HAVE REPORTED THE MATTER, IT JUST DIDN'T OCCUR TO ME...

CAW
CAW
IT'S NOT JUST THOSE TWO
THE STUDENTS OF THIS INSTITUTE ARE ALL HOLDING SUCH WOUNDS
IT'S PROOF THAT THEY ARE PUTTING THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE TO FIGHT. I WONDER IF THEIR DARKNESS WILL EVER COME TO AN END...?

Though the medicine makes him stronger, his wings still won't come out for more than a few minutes a day...
Gasp
What we need is to make use of average power in order to systematically stabilize and minimize the sacrifice of our combatants.
Saka doesn't need a single superhero.
SFX: HYDRAULIC NOISES

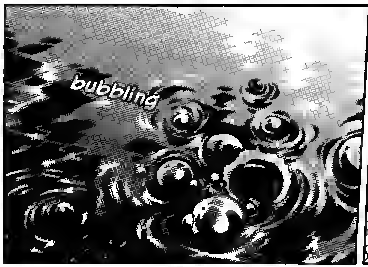
But, in the end, even though my body grew, nothing changed.
So much so that what is precious to me has so easily slipped and fallen through my fingers.
When I was little, I believed that I could do anything if only I were to grow bigger.

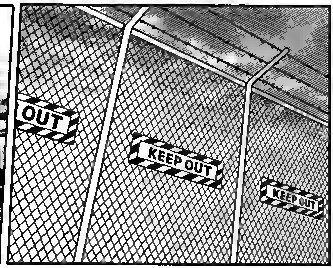
I want to be stronger.
So that no more of the people around me can be hurt...

...SUCH SMALL HANDS.

That night, one year ago...
my life was saved by Shinobu, and I made a vow...!
Thirteen years ago, I was the only one left alive.
And then, since coming to this institute, I have seen so many people die in front of my eyes.
So I swear on my life...

...I will make sure that no one else becomes a sacrifice in this world!!





WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE RESOLUTIONS IN THEIR HEARTS, THE FINAL BATTLE BEGINS! NEXT TIME, THE FINAL CLASH!!

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THEN WHY NOT RECRUIT SOME MORE?
WE'RE TRYING BUT IT DOESNT DO ANY GOOD WHEN NO ONE APPLIES
UH SIR? I'M SORRY, BUT WE'RE LOW ON STAFF
DAMMIT! WHERE ARE THOSE NEW CHAPTERS?!
ARE YOU FREAKING SERIOUS?
MANGA
FIST SLAM
WELL UH, YES ACTUALLY

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WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?
?
IT'S KIND OF CREEPING ME OUT
STARE
THIS GUY'S WEIRD STILL MAYBE I SHOULD VOLUNTEER AND HELP SPEED UP THEIR RELEASES

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